

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed the Application in light of the Final Office Action mailed July 29, 2005. At the time of the Final Office Action, Claims 1-21 were pending in the Application. Applicant amends Claims 7-8 and cancels Claim 6 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant's amendments and cancellations have been done to advance prosecution in this case and not to overcome prior art. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending claims and favorable action in this case.

Non-Statutory Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner rejects Claims 1-21 of the present application under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-11 of U.S. Patent No. 6,907,123. Although Applicant does not necessarily agree with or acquiesce to the Examiner's comments regarding the claims of the present Application or their purported relationship to the claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,907,123, Applicant submits the attached Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.321(c) to overcome this rejection. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of Claims 1-21.

Section 103 Rejection

The Examiner rejects Claims 6 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,185,796 issued to Wilson (hereinafter "*Wilson*"). Applicant cancels Claim 6 and amends Claim 7 to depend from Claim 8, which has been rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of Claim 7.

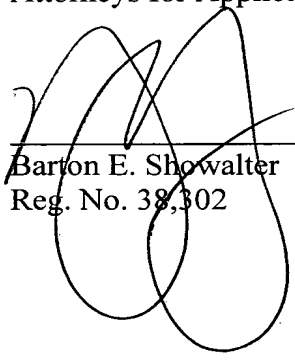
CONCLUSION

Applicant has now made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for immediate allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for all other reasons clear and apparent, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicant submits herewith a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the cost of the terminal disclaimer fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

If there are matters that can be discussed by telephone to advance prosecution of this application, Applicant invites the Examiner to contact Barton E. Showalter at 214.953.6509.

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